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**INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**  
**SEVERE WEATHER UPDATE**  
**January 30, 2009, 10:00 a.m.**

**State EOC Activation Level**

Level III – Active Emergency Conditions – A situation has occurred requiring limited activation of the emergency operations center.

**Description of Incident**

A severe winter storm system moved through the state dumping heavy snow and freezing rain across most of Indiana. Up to 13 inches of snow and 1 inch of ice reported across central and southern Indiana causing power outages and transportation issues. School systems and county government offices across most of the southern 2/3 of the state were closed. Numerous traffic accidents and hundreds of road closures were reported. Roads in many areas were impassable.

**Health, Safety and Security**

- Confirmed Fatalities:** Three fatalities have been confirmed. A Marengo woman (Crawford County) was killed in a weather-related traffic accident. A resident of Jackson County died while shoveling snow. A Daviess County resident died due to a heart attack while shoveling snow
- Security:** Hoosiers are reminded to be aware of price gouging. If you feel you have been a victim of price gouging, please call the Consumer Protection Division at (317) 232-6330 or (800) 382-5516.

**Current Situation**

Road conditions continue to be an issue as winds produce drifting snow in the north and northeast central part of the state. Several state and county roads are snow covered and slick. Hoosiers are reminded to be cautious when traveling.

Power outages continue to be a problem in southern Indiana. Crews report it may be several more days before full power is restored.

Indiana Department of Natural Resources sawyer crews are working on debris removal in Perry and Crawford counties. 2 2-man crews to Perry County. 2 2-man crews to Crawford. Indiana Dept. of Correction provided a 4 man team to each county to assist.

Clark County and Floyd County have each reported 2 carbon monoxide related-injuries caused by improper generator use. For tips on safe generator use, please visit the IDHS website at [www.in.gov/dhs](http://www.in.gov/dhs).

**County Emergency Declarations**

Please visit [www.in.gov/dhs](http://www.in.gov/dhs) for current county emergency situations.

## **Shelter Operations**

Total Reported Shelter Population: 804

Total Capacity Available: 2,570

### **Clark County**

Clarksville – First Southern Baptist Church – 24

Jeffersonville – First Christian Church – 25

### **Crawford County**

Marengo – Hillview Christian Church – 124

### **Dubois County**

Huntingburg – Huntingburg Event Center – 0

### **Floyd County**

Georgetown – Georgetown Southern Baptist Church – 40

New Albany – Salvation Army – 60

### **Gibson County**

Princeton – American Red Cross Chapter – 0

Princeton – Princeton Fire Territory – 0

### **Harrison County**

Palmyra – Palmyra United Methodist Church – 4

### **Perry County**

Tell City – Schergens Center – 11

### **Posey County**

Mt Vernon – First Presbyterian Church – 17

### **Spencer County**

Rockport – Trinity United Methodist Church – 50

### **Switzerland County**

Jefferson – Craig – Fire House – 7

### **Vanderburgh County**

Evansville – 4-H Center – 26

Evansville – Camp Reveal – 62

Evansville – Washington United Church of Christ – 126

Evansville – Red Cross Chapter – 119

### **Warrick County**

Booneville – Boonville High School – 36

New Burg – St John's Catholic School – 28

St. Mary's - 45

## **Critical Infrastructure and Facilities**

### **Power**

Current Total: 82,851

### **Outages:**

Peak Total: 222,026

Vectren – 51,613 – Expected Restoration: 02/04/2009

Duke Energy – 18,488 – Expected Restoration: 01/31/2009

Orange County REMC – 400 – Expected Restoration: 01/30/2009

Clark County REMC – 500 – Expected Restoration: 01/30/2009

Southern Indiana REMC – 1,800 – Expected Restoration: 01/31/2009

Dubois REMC – 750 – Expected Restoration: 01/29/2009

Southeastern Indiana REMC – 600 – Expected Restoration:  
01/29/2009

Harrison REMC – 8,700 – Expected Restoration: 02/02/2009

## **Transportation**

Please visit [www.in.gov/dhs](http://www.in.gov/dhs) for current road conditions.

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